

**June 8, 2015  
Springfield, Missouri**

The City Council met in regular session June 8, 2015 in the Council Chambers at Historic City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bob Stephens. A moment of silence was observed.

**Roll Call**

Present: Justin Burnett, Mike Schilling, Ken McClure, Jan Fisk, Craig Hosmer, Kristi Fulnecky, Phyllis Ferguson, and Bob Stephens. Absent: Craig Fishel.

**Minutes**

The minutes of May 26, 2015 were approved as presented.

**Consent Agenda**

The Consent Agenda was finalized and approved as amended.

Anita Cotter, City Clerk, noted Council Bill 2015-155 would be removed from Consent Agenda First Reading Bills and placed under First Reading Bills.

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

Anita Cotter, City Clerk, swore in Norene Rinker and Jeffrey Schmitt to serve as members of the Art Museum Board.

**Springfield LifeSave**

Sponsor: Stephens. Council Bill 2015-149. A resolution recognizing Peapod Learning Center, LLC and The Bank of Missouri for completing the 50/50 Challenge to become "Springfield LifeSave" organizations, and Wilson's Creek National Battlefield for completing the "50/50 Plus Challenge" to become a "Springfield LifeSave Plus" organization.

Councilwoman Fulnecky read the resolution in its entirety.

David Hall, Fire Chief, expressed his appreciation to the organizations participating in the Springfield LifeSave program.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the discussion was closed.

Council Bill 2015-149. Resolution 10217 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**City Managers report and responses to questions raised at the previous City Council meeting:**

Tim Smith, Deputy City Manager, responded all questions had been answered. He noted the public hearing for the City's \$334 million annual operating budget would be held tonight. He added the priorities of the 2016 budget include addressing public safety, preparing for anticipated costs for environmental compliance, and employee pay. Mr. Smith noted funding for public safety continues to be the highest priority. He added, including wage increases, 54% of all new revenue in the budget is proposed to be appropriated to public safety departments. Mr. Smith noted the past fiscal year has been characterized by growth in sales tax revenue and increased commercial and retail development in

the City. He added staff is cautiously optimistic this positive trend will continue. Mr. Smith noted the June sales tax revenue is up 3% compared to the budget and the May 1% general sales tax check from the Missouri Department of Revenue was up 3% compared to what was budgeted. He added on a year-to-date basis sales tax revenue is 5% above the budgeted amount.

Mr. Smith noted jail capacity issues continue to be a strain on the ability to maintain law and order in the community. He added the overcrowded jail is just a symptom of an overstressed and under resourced criminal justice system. Mr. Smith noted staff continues to work with Greene County to find both a short term and long term solution to this issue.

Mr. Smith congratulated Springfield Municipal Court Chief Judge Todd Thornhill for being selected to serve on a Supreme Court Municipal Division Work Group. He added the aforementioned group is charged with reviewing the practices of municipal divisions throughout the State. Mr. Smith noted Chief Justice Mary R. Russell said the court chose the six individuals for their demonstrated leadership in a variety of settings statewide.

Mr. Smith congratulated the Missouri State University Baseball Bears on their incredible season and appearance at the Super Regional this weekend. He also congratulated Coach Keith Guttin and everyone who worked hard to make this program successful.

Mayor Pro Tem McClure asked for clarification regarding a story in the local newspaper about the City purchasing a drone. Cora Scott, Director of Public Information, responded her department purchased the drone and it would be used for photography and videography purposes only.

#### **The following bills appeared on the agenda under Second Reading Bills:**

Mayor Stephens noted Councilwoman Ferguson would be recusing herself from the vote on Council Bill 2015-137 due to a potential conflict.

Councilwoman Ferguson exited Council Chambers.

#### **Rezoning: 1216 East Bennett Street**

Sponsor: Burnett. Council Bill 2015-137. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 1-1600, Zoning Maps, by rezoning approximately 0.24 acres of property, generally located at 1216 East Bennett Street from R-SF, Single-Family Residential District to LB, Limited Business District; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.) (By: Mexican Villa Food Products, Inc.; 1216 East Bennett Street; Z-15-2015.)

Council Bill 2015-137. General Ordinance 6197 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: Ferguson.

Councilwoman Ferguson returned to Council Chambers.

#### **Rezoning: 837 South Glenstone Avenue**

Sponsor: Burnett. Council Bill 2015-138. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 1-1600, Zoning Maps, by

rezoning approximately 0.45 acres of property, generally located at 837 South Glenstone Avenue, from R-SF, Single-Family Residential District, to HC, Highway Commercial District; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.) (By: Jean A. Gwin; 837 South Glenstone Avenue; Z-16-2015.)

Council Bill 2015-138. General Ordinance 6198 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**Rezoning: 814, 820, 824, 832, 838, 842, 846, and 850 South Robberson Avenue**

Sponsor: Schilling. Council Bill 2015-139. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 1-1600, Zoning Maps, by rezoning approximately 1.47 acres of property, generally located at 814, 820, 824, 832, 838, 842, 846 and 850 South Robberson Avenue, from R-HD, High-Density Multi-Family Residential District, to R-HD, High-Density Multi-Family Residential District with an overlay of UN, University Combining District; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.) (By: Burning Tree Consulting LLC; 814, 820, 824, 832, 838, 842, 846 and 850 South Robberson Avenue; Z-18-2015.)

Councilman Schilling asked for clarification regarding traffic concerns on Robberson Avenue and Grand Street. Mary Lilly Smith, Director of Planning and Development, responded a traffic study was not required for the proposed. She added the actual traffic density would be less than what is currently allowed by the zoning.

Council Bill 2015-139. General Ordinance 6199 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: Hosmer. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**Rezoning: 1911 South National Avenue**

Sponsor: Fishel. Council Bill 2015-140. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 1-1600, Zoning Maps, by rezoning approximately 0.32 acres of property generally located at 1911 South National Avenue from GR, General Retail District, to O-2, Office District; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.) (By: Diversity Commercial Investments, LLC; 1911 South National Avenue; Z-19-2015.)

Council Bill 2015-140. General Ordinance 6200 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

Councilman Hosmer noted he would be recusing himself from the vote on Amended Council Bill 2015-141 due to a potential conflict.

Councilman Hosmer exited Council Chambers.

**Rezoning: Chase Street between Broadway Avenue and Robberson Avenue**

Sponsor: Ferguson. Amended Council Bill 2015-141. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 1-1600, Zoning Maps, by rezoning approximately 52 acres of property generally located on the north and south sides of Chase Street between Broadway Avenue and Robberson Avenue, and on the west side of Washington Avenue between

Chase Street and Atlantic Street, at the intersection of Lyon Avenue and Atlantic Street, from HM, Heavy Manufacturing District; LI, Light Industrial District; CS, Commercial Services District; LB, Limited Business District, and R-SF, Single-Family Residential District; to Planned Development District No. 347; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Both Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff recommend approval.) (By: City of Springfield; On the north and south sides of Chase Street between Broadway Avenue and Robberson Avenue, and on the east and west sides of Washington Avenue between Chase Street and Atlantic Street and at the intersection of Lyon Avenue and Atlantic Street; Planned Development District No. 347.)

Amended Council Bill 2015-141. General Ordinance 6201 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: Hosmer.

Councilman Hosmer returned to Council Chambers.

**Rezoning: 2005, 2101, to  
2218 West Chesterfield  
Boulevard**

Sponsor: Schilling. Council Bill 2015-142. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 1-1600, Zoning Maps, by rezoning approximately 19.31 acres of property generally located at 2005, 2101 to 2218 West Chesterfield Boulevard, and 3804 to 3859 South Cox Avenue from Planned Development District No. 141 2nd, 141 4th, 329 and 334 District to Planned Development District No. 349; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Both Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff recommend approval.) (By: Chesterfield Square Property Owners Association; 2005, 2101 to 2218 West Chesterfield Blvd. and 3804 to 3859 South Cox Avenue; Planned Development No. 349.)

Council Bill 2015-142. General Ordinance 6202 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**Glenstone Marketplace  
Community  
Improvement District**

Sponsor: Fishel. Council Bill 2015-143. A special ordinance approving a Petition requesting the formation of the Glenstone Marketplace Community Improvement District; establishing the District as a political subdivision of the State of Missouri; declaring the 8.24 acres in such district to be a blighted area, and its redevelopment necessary for the preservation of the public peace, prosperity, health, safety, morals, and welfare; authorizing the City Manager, on behalf of the City, to execute a Cooperative Agreement between the City, the Glenstone Marketplace Community Improvement District, and Glenstone Marketplace, L.L.C.; and directing the City Clerk to notify the Missouri Department of Economic Development of the creation of the District. (Staff recommends approval.)

Councilwoman Fulnecky expressed her support of the proposed. She expressed her belief that the proposed would bring many jobs to the City.

Councilman Burnett expressed his support of the proposed. He expressed his belief that the proposed would enhance the entire area.

Mayor Pro Tem McClure expressed his support of the proposed. He noted he is pleased to see this vital corridor being redeveloped.

Councilwoman Fisk expressed her support of the proposed. She expressed her belief that the proposed would greatly benefit the area.

Council Bill 2015-143. Special Ordinance 26579 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**The following bills appeared on the agenda under Resolutions:**

**Revised Investment  
Policy: Springfield Police  
Officers' and  
Firefighters' Retirement  
Fund**

Sponsor: Stephens. Council Bill 2015-154. A resolution adopting the revised Investment Policy Statement prepared and approved by the Board of Trustees of the Springfield Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement Fund.

Janell Manley, Springfield Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System Board of Trustees, gave a brief overview of the proposed. She noted the proposed would update the investment policy statement. She added this is done periodically to reflect the actual numbers. Ms. Manley noted the actuarial objectives changed in the proposed from 7.5 to 7. She added a procedure was also added called the "watch list procedure". Ms. Manley noted this procedure sets up guidelines for what is done when the Board feels that an investment manager is not performing properly.

An opportunity was give for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the discussion was closed.

Council Bill 2015-154. Resolution 10218 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**EMERGENCY BILLS**

**PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS**

**GRANTS**

**AMENDED BILLS**

**The following bills appeared on the agenda under Public Hearings:**

**Preliminary Tax Levy**

Sponsor: Stephens. Council Bill 2015-150. A special ordinance setting a preliminary tax levy on real and personal property for current expenses and debt retirement of the City of Springfield, Missouri, its boards and agencies, for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016; and declaring an emergency.

Mary Mannix-Decker, Director of Finance, gave a brief overview of the proposed. Ms. Mannix-Decker noted the City Charter requires a preliminary tax levy be set as part of adopting the 2016 budget. She added the actual tax levy will be set in August when the final assessed value information is received from Greene County. Ms. Mannix-Decker noted for budget purposes, it was

assumed there would be no increase in the tax levy. She added the current City tax levy is slightly over 62 cents and a 1% increase in assessed value was assumed for the proposed budget.

Councilman Hosmer asked why the proposed is necessary now since the County will not give the actual value until August. Ms. Mannix-Decker responded it is required by City Charter. Councilman Hosmer asked if the City has anything to do with setting the actual levy. Ms. Mannix-Decker responded the County Assessor determines the assessed value and the State Auditor determines the maximum levy the City can set.

Councilwoman Fulnecky asked if there was an increase in the levy. Ms. Mannix-Decker responded in the negative. She added for the budget Council is considering no increase in the levy was assumed, but a small increase in assessed value was projected.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the public hearing was closed.

## **2015/2016 Budget**

Sponsor: Stephens. Council Bill 2015-151. A special ordinance adopting a budget for the City of Springfield, Missouri, for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, providing that certain amounts shown in the budget document are appropriated for the various departments specified in said budget, and declaring an emergency.

Mary Mannix-Decker, Director of Finance, gave a brief overview of the proposed. She noted the proposed is the fiscal year 2016 budget for Council's consideration. She added the total budget is \$333.9 million which is an increase of approximately 7% from last year's budget. Ms. Mannix-Decker noted the aforementioned increase is primarily due to strong sales tax growth, increased spending for capital and facilities, and continued implementation of the early action program in the Environmental Services Department. She added staff expects the strong growth rate to continue and anticipates a 5% increase for the current budget year and an additional 3% increase for the upcoming budget year.

Ms. Mannix-Decker noted in addition to the sales tax increase staff projects a 4% increase in payments in lieu of taxes that are received from City Utilities in the general fund. She added State legislators recently passed legislation that staff anticipates could cause a decrease in revenue received for Municipal Court. If the aforementioned legislation is signed into law by the Governor, staff may need to adjust the budget to reflect this potential decline in revenue.

Ms. Mannix-Decker noted in the proposed the Environmental Services Department continues the implementation of the early action plan and the recently approved overflow control plan. She added the success of both of those programs has exceeded expectations. The proposed budget provides funding for 11 new positions in that department.

Ms. Mannix-Decker noted a major component of the proposed budget is capital replacement. She added the proposed budget includes a significant appropriation in the amount of \$7.4 million. Ms. Mannix-Decker noted \$7

million of that amount would be used for public safety to purchase equipment such as fire trucks, rescue trucks, and police vehicles. She added the remaining amount would be added to funding from the general fund to address maintenance to City facilities.

Ms. Mannix-Decker noted the proposed budget also includes the equivalent of a 3.5% salary increase for City employees in the Professional, Administrative, and Technical (PAT), Crafts, Trades, and Labor (CTL), Law Enforcement Schedule (LES), and Fire Protection Schedule (FPS) pay schedules.

Ms. Mannix-Decker expressed her appreciation to Council for the time they have devoted to the proposed budget.

Mayor Pro Tem McClure asked if the proposed included any impact from Senate Bill 5. Ms. Mannix-Decker responded in the negative, adding if that bill is signed into legislature staff may have to request an adjustment to the budget. She added staff expects it could cause a decrease in fee revenue from Municipal Court of about 20% or \$300,000.

Councilman Burnett asked if it would be prudent to plan for the passage of Senate Bill 5 in the proposed budget. Ms. Mannix-Decker responded staff would be watching this closely and come back to Council if any adjustments need to be made. She added the proposed budget is just a “plan”; therefore, some revenue sources could come in higher or some expenses may be slightly lower than anticipated. Ms. Mannix-Decker noted an overall look at the budget at that time will help decide what amendments might need to be made.

Councilman Hosmer asked if the letter Council had talked about drafting to the Governor had been written yet. Mr. Smith responded he would be writing the letter soon.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the public hearing was closed.

## **Fee Schedule**

Sponsor: McClure, Hosmer, Fulnecky, and Schilling. Council Bill 2015-152. A general ordinance amending the Fee Schedule for certain municipal services as provided in the Springfield City Code, by adopting new fees for Building Development Services, in order to recover all or part of the cost thereof. (The Finance Committee recommends approval.)

Mary Mannix-Decker, Director of Finance, gave a brief overview of the proposed. She noted the proposed sets the fees for Building Development Services. She added the proposed sets the fee for building permits, electrical, gas, plumbing, and mechanical permits, and plan review at 100% cost recovery. Ms. Mannix-Decker noted the proposed increases were requested by the Development Issues Input Group (DIIG) for quicker permit approval. She added the increased revenue from fees would be used by the Building Development Services Department to hire additional staff, expand the responsibilities of existing staff, and acquire additional equipment to help them complete inspections in the field. Ms. Mannix-Decker noted the proposed increases would be effective July 1, 2015. She added the Finance and Administration Committee recommends approval.

Councilwoman Fulnecky expressed concern regarding the building plan review fee being changed to 100% cost recovery. She expressed her belief this could be detrimental to small businesses. Councilwoman Fulnecky recommended the building permit process be “measured” so developers could see how much time it takes to complete the process. Mr. Smith responded he did not believe it would be appropriate to include that in the proposed, but he added DIIG and staff are currently reviewing this issue.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the public hearing was closed.

**The following bills appeared on the agenda under First Reading Bills:**

**Salary Ordinance**

Sponsor: Stephens. Council Bill 2015-153. A general ordinance amending Chapter 2, Section 2-92 of the Springfield City Code, known as the Salary Ordinance relating to salary grades for various job titles within the City service as contained in the Professional, Administrative and Technical (PAT) Schedule, the Crafts, Trade and Labor (CTL) Schedule, the Fire Protection Schedule (FPS), and the Law Enforcement Schedule (LES) by making provision for sixteen (16) new job titles and deleting six (6) existing job titles; by providing pay adjustments for employees on the PAT, CTL, FPS, and LES pay schedules; by eliminating the position of Police Captain from education pay eligibility; by eliminating the positions of Battalion Chief, Assistant Fire Chief and Fire Chief from Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) pay eligibility; by approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the City Manager; and by declaring an emergency.

Sheila Maerz, Director of Human Resources, gave a brief overview of the proposed. She noted the proposed includes the addition of 16 new positions in Section 1. She added these are job titles, not full time employees or people. Ms. Maerz noted some of these changes are the result of job studies done throughout the year or reorganization in a department. She added there are also 6 job title deletions included in the proposed. Ms. Maerz noted Section 2 and 3 includes a 1.5% salary increase for the Professional, Administrative, and Technical (PAT) schedule and the Crafts, Trade, and Labor (CTL) schedule. She added Section 4 includes a 1.5% increase on the Fire Protection Schedule (FPS) Grade 13 only and Section 5 includes a 1.5% increase on the Law Enforcement Schedule (LES) for Grade 15 only. Ms. Maerz noted Section 6 and 7 includes funding for FPS as a result of collective bargaining. She added Section 9 clarifies funding for the LES. Ms. Maerz noted the last section of the proposed is the Memorandum of Understanding for the City Manager which is brought forward each year.

Councilman Burnett asked if the Police Department, Police Union, and Police Chief approve of the changes made in the proposed. Ms. Maerz responded affirmatively, adding their pay increases for fiscal year 2016 and 2017 were approved under their collective bargaining agreement.

Councilwoman Fulnecky asked for clarification regarding the new positions included in the proposed. Ms. Maerz responded the proposed sets salary for any new titles. She added most of the positions are not actually new positions,



but are reclassifications of current positions.

Councilwoman Fulnecky asked what the dollar amount would be for the proposed increases. Ms. Maerz responded she did not have that information, but would provide it.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Nan Holland spoke regarding the proposed. She expressed concern regarding the proposed eliminating positions and adding others. She also expressed concern regarding the City Manager's car allowance and whether Police Department employees would be receiving salary increases.

Councilman Hosmer informed Ms. Holland the City Manager's car allowance is \$5,160 annually. He also informed her jobs would not be eliminated because the positions are being reclassified.

Mayor Stephens noted no police positions are being eliminated. He added 19 police cadets would be graduating on June 26, 2015.

Councilwoman Ferguson noted the pay increases would total approximately 1.5% for most of the jobs in the City, not just Police and Fire.

With no further appearances, the discussion was closed.

## **Jefferson Streetscape Phase II**

Sponsor: Schilling. Council Bill 2015-155. A special ordinance approving the plans and specifications for the Jefferson Streetscape Phase II project, Plan No. 2015PW0019WTE, accepting the bid of Hunter Chase & Associates, Inc. for that project, and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract with such bidder.

Councilman Schilling asked for clarification regarding the specific aspects of the streetscape. Dan Smith, Director of Public Works, responded the proposed is a continuation of other streetscapes done downtown. He added the proposed includes sidewalks, improvements to the street surface and drainage, culvert replacement, signal improvements, and City Utilities plans to replace some outdated water and gas lines.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the discussion was closed.

## **PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **The following appeared on the agenda under New Business:**

As per RSMo. 109.230 (4), City records that are on file in the City Clerk's office and have met the retention schedule will be destroyed in compliance with the guidelines established by the Secretary of State's office.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**The following bills appeared on the agenda under Consent Agenda First Reading Bills:**

Council Bill 2015-155 was read and discussed under First Reading Bills.

**Annual Maintenance  
Contract for Traffic  
Signals**

Sponsor: Fishel. Council Bill 2015-156. A special ordinance approving bid specifications for the Annual Maintenance Contract for Traffic Signals for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, accepting the bid of Ewing Signal Construction, LLC for that contract, and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract with such bidder.

**CONSENT AGENDA ONE READING BILLS**

**The following bills appeared on the agenda under Consent Agenda Second Reading Bills:**

**Monitoring Wells with  
Environmental Works,  
Inc.**

Sponsor: Fishel. Council Bill 2015-131. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a License Agreement for Monitoring Wells with Environmental Works, Inc. (EW), for the purpose of allowing EW to install and maintain (at no cost to the City) two monitoring wells on the public right-of-way on Republic Street east of Fremont Avenue to monitor groundwater conditions.

Council Bill 2015-131. Special Ordinance 26580 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**CVB Budget**

Sponsor: Fulnecky. Council Bill 2015-144. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. (SCVB), that includes the SCVB's Fiscal Year 2015-2016 budget and marketing plan to promote travel and tourism in the City.

Council Bill 2015-144. Special Ordinance 26581 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**Sports Commission**

Sponsor: McClure. Council Bill 2015-145. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with the Greater Springfield Area Sports Commission, Inc. (Sports Commission), whereby the City will provide the Sports Commission with a share of the City's collection fees from the hotel/motel gross receipts tax to fund the Sports Commission's efforts to promote the hosting of national and regional sporting events to the City.

Council Bill 2015-145. Special Ordinance 26582 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**Highway/Rail Crossing  
Improvements**

Sponsor: Ferguson. Council Bill 2015-146. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a Supplemental Municipal

Agreement for Highway/Rail Crossing Improvements with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) and BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) for the purpose of coordinating participation by the City in the cost of the BNSF Crossing project at Bob Barker Boulevard, U.S. DOT Project No. 664 177B.

Council Bill 2015-146. Special Ordinance 26583 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**Preliminary Plat of  
Republic Kansas  
Subdivision**

Sponsor: Schilling. Council Bill 2015-147. A special ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to accept the dedication of the public streets and easements to the City of Springfield as shown on the Preliminary Plat of Republic Kansas Subdivision, generally located at 1545 West Republic Street, upon the applicant filing and recording a final plat that substantially conforms to the preliminary plat; and authorizing the City Clerk to sign the final plat upon compliance with the terms of this ordinance. (Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff recommend that City Council accept the public streets and easements.)

Council Bill 2015-147. Special Ordinance 26584 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

**Stormwater  
Improvements Phase I  
Ravenwood South**

Sponsor: Fishel. Council Bill 2015-148. A special ordinance approving the plans and specifications for Stormwater Improvements Phase I, Ravenwood South Subdivision, Plan No. 2014PW0054SW, accepting the bid of Flat Creek Excavating, L.L.C. for that project; and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract with such bidder.

Council Bill 2015-148. Special Ordinance 26585 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Burnett, Schilling, McClure, Fisk, Hosmer, Fulnecky, Ferguson, and Stephens. Nays: None. Absent: Fishel. Abstain: None.

Council confirmed the following reappointment to the Land Clearance for Redevelopment Authority: Steven H. Jackson with term to expire March 1, 2019.

With no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.